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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

Applicants have the following comments on the Reasons for Allowance accompanying the Notice of Allowance issued in the above-identified application on July 13, 2011.

The Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance paraphrase some of the recitations found in the allowed independent claims. Therefore, the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance should not be used to define the scope of any allowed claims because the statement does not apply to any particular claim. Rather, the claim language should be construed in light of the specific recitations found in each of the allowed claims.

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If the Examiner has any questions regarding such comments on the Reasons for Allowance, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact Applicants' representative, Kevin W. Raasch, at the number below.

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